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SUBJECT: MEXICAN ADHERENCE TO AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS
CONVENTION

REF: MEXICO 03961

1. I REMINDED ROEL THAT WE HAD DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY
MEXICO MIGHT SIGN, OR ANNOUNCE ITS INTENTION TO SIGN,
AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS CONVENTION, EVEN IF IT DID SO WITH
RESERVATIONS, WHILE VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE WAS HERE. I
TOLD ROEL I HOPED THAT, SINCE MEXICO HAD NOT BEEN READY
TO ACT THAT PROMPTLY, IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR MEXICO TO
ANNOUNCE ITS ADHERENCE DURING SECRETARY VANCE'S VISIT
MAY 4-5.

2. WITHOUT MAKING A COMMITMENT, ROEL EXPRESSED INTEREST
AND ASKED THAT EMBASSY DISCUSS THIS QUESTION WITH UNDER-
SECRETARY ROSENZWEIG-DIAZ, WHOM HE SAID HE WAS PUTTING IN
CHARGE OF WORKING OUT DETAILS WITH EMBASSY ON THE SEC-
RETARY'S VISIT. AS REPORTED IN REFTEL, WORKING LEVEL AT
FOREIGN SECRETARIAT NOW HAS THE QUESTION OF GOM VIEWS
ON THE CONVENTION FANNED OUT FOR INTER-SECRETARIAL COMM-
ENT, AND IS THINKING IN TERMS OF CONSULTATIONS LASTING AT
LEAST SEVERAL MONTHS. HOWEVER, ROEL HAS A DEMONSTRATED
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ABILITY TO SHORT-CIRCUIT THE SRE BUREAUCRACY. AS HE
SUGGESTED, WE WILL TAKE MATTER UP WITH ROSENZWEIG, WHO
AS FORMER SRE LEGAL ADVISER IS FAMILIAR WITH GOM POSITION
ON THE CONVENTION, AND WILL REPORT HIS REACTION. LUCEY

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